

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please AMEND claim 6 in accordance with the following:

1-5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently amended) A method for diagnosing a liver disease in a group consisting of chronic hepatitis, liver cirrhosis and hepatocarcinoma with liver cirrhosis, comprising:

~~in which contacting~~ a monoclonal antibody which reacts only with asialo α 1-acid glycoprotein and excludes heptoglobin and α 2-macroglobulin; and lectin RCA (Ricinus communis agglutinin) recognizing asialo glycoprotein ~~are reacted with~~ a test sample to measure ~~the an~~ amount of asialo α 1-acid glycoprotein (AsAGP), in which the monoclonal antibody is the subclass IgG₁ produced from the mouse cell line deposited with the accession number KCTC 10261 BP_{T-1}

measuring an amount of complexes formed between the antibody and AsAGP in the test sample; and

relating a measured amount of AsAGP in the test sample to a diagnosis of whether the test sample is from a person having the liver disease, wherein the liver disease is in a group consisting of chronic hepatitis, liver cirrhosis and hepatocarcinoma with liver cirrhosis, and

wherein a cutoff value for diagnosing ~~that the test sample is from the person the~~ having the liver disease in the group consisting of chronic hepatitis, liver cirrhosis and hepatocarcinoma with liver cirrhosis ~~liver disease~~ is 1.50 μ g/ml.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Original) The method for diagnosing a liver disease according to claim 6, in which the test sample is blood or serum.

9-20. (Canceled)